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It is reported that General Yang on the 22nd inst sent a message to General Lu at Woosung inviting him to come to Shanghai to discuss some important matters. He received a reply that Lu was sick and unable to attend.

Secret movements of troops appear to be in progress. The garrisons at Sungkiang and rongching are being gradually withdrawn to Shanghai and their planes being taken by Chekiang troops.

Up to and including the 17th inst about 1,850 Rebels have registered at the Repatriation Office. Since then however it is reported that about 500 other different parties have applied and as the members of these parties number about 20,000 persons, their applications will be difficult to deal with from a financial point of view. The investigation of claims is not yet completed.

About 80 rebels of the poorest class were wandering around the Pahsienjao district in Frenchtown on the night of the 21st having no money to get lodgings and were dispersed by the Police.

No settlement has yet been reached between the painters and their employers but several of the workmen unable to hold out any longer are dribbling back to work.

Your Obedient Servant.

Chief Detective Inspector.

Captain Superintendent of Police.